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"PERSON AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM, PERSON

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AMENDMENT "B" AFTER FINAL

SIR:

This Amendment "B" After Final is filed in response to the Final Office Action of August 28, 2003. Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented below.